

Abstract

A method of providing secure dial-in access to an enterprise system over a public network via a Virtual Secure Point of Presence (VSPOP) is provided. A dial-in user connection is received in a VSPOP, and the user connection is authenticated. The VSPOP provides an encrypted connection from the received dial-in connection in the VSPOP to the enterprise system over a public network.

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